Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 2 4 2015

RE: S.C.R. No. 28

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 28 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH A FAMILY VIOLENCE UNIT STAFFED WITH OFFICERS SPECIFICALLY TRAINED TO HANDLE ALL COMPLAINTS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the Honolulu Police Department establish a family violence unit staffed with officers specifically trained to handle all complaints of family violence.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from two individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Police Department of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committees find that domestic violence is one of the most underreported crimes, as victims often fear retaliation, consider an incident a private matter, or believe that the police are unable to do anything about an incident. Several police departments throughout the nation and elsewhere in the world have set up specific divisions to handle domestic violence cases. Establishing a family violence unit within the Honolulu Police Department will help reduce violence, ensure compassionate assistance to victims, and enable more effective prosecution of abusers.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 28 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor,

GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair

WILL ESPERO, Chair

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